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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked

Application Number **PCT/JP03/05589** and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 (a) – (d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application for which priority is claimed.

(List prior foreign applications. See note A)

☒ Yes ☐ No

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